

Troopers Arrest Suspect for Strong Arm Robbery- Newark

Newark – The Delaware State Police have arrested a Newark man for a strong armed robbery that took place on April 10, 2020 in the parking lot of Royal Farms, located at 1551 Pulaski Hwy, Newark, yesterday morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:21 a.m. as the 71 year old victim was sitting in her vehicle parked in the rear of Royal Farms parking lot. The defendant later identified as 20 year old, **Knowledge Thomas** of Newark, approached the victim's vehicle on the driver side in an attempt to get her to roll down her window. The victim did not comply and Thomas walked to the passenger side of the vehicle and opened the unlocked front passenger door. Thomas reached in and grabbed the victim's purse and a struggle ensued causing an injury to the victim's upper extremity. Thomas ultimately fled with the purse on foot. The victim refused medical treatment for her injury.

On April 11, 2020 at a little after 10:00 a.m., a Trooper on routine patrol in the area of Royal Farms, observed a subject fitting the description of Thomas' exiting the subdivision of Sparrow Run on foot. Troopers attempted to make contact with Thomas who fled on foot. After a brief foot pursuit, Thomas was apprehended and transported to Troop 2 where he was arrested and charged with Robbery 1st Degree (felony) and Resisting Arrest. He was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court and was released on \$20,100.00 unsecured bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800

VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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